DR. SHOOP'S RESTORATIVE

At The Doctor's Risk.

Against Phlegar Bill.

BILLS REPORTED.

Committee Engorses One to Ex-

clude Negroes From Pullmans.

Senator Byars for Hearst.

Oil Bill in Senate.

Mr. Barksdake, of Halifax, vesterday introduced in the Senate an identical copy of the Duke bill in relation to maintaining a high standard of illuminating oil. The bin has been adversely reported from the House committee, and the report is maintenance against the bill. There is little it collinood of its passing either rooty, it is salu,

For Disabled Soldiers.

Mr. Bader Here.

work of the commission, and for actual expenses incurred in such service.
The committee stood thus in the matter of reporting the amended bill:
Ayes-Messis, Keezell, Bryant, Shands, Cromwell, Massic, Fulton and A. C. Harman-I.

man - 7. Noes - Mesers. Gunter, Sears and Walk-

er-3.
Mr. Shands explained that in veting to report the bill he reserved the right to amend or oppose it on the floor of the

#### Personnel of the Board.

Senate.

Personnel of the Board.

The board, as it is proposed to constitute it, consists of men widely known in the State, and who have rendered valuable services in posts of honor and trust. Dr. Frank Fletcher, of Accome, was for years chairman of the State.

Board of Fleberles, and is conceded to be one of the best authorities on the oyster step of the hest authorities on the oyster of the Seate in the recent General Assembly, former member of the House, and fermer county judge. He was a member of the special joint committee appointed by the last General Assembly, to examine and report as to the needs of legislation. He is a member of the special joint committee appointed by the last General Assembly to examine and report as to the needs of legislation. He is a member of the State Democratic Committee and a man of the intelligence and character.

Colonel C. Fenton Day, of Isle, of Wight, is one of the best known men in Virginia, and is a Tidewater man. He is a gentleman of culture. Colonel Day's Senator Martin's father-in-law.

Hon. T. C. Pilcher, of Fauquier, was for years a member of the House of Delegates, and is a man of rugged intollect and irtegrity, and widely known. He is thoroughly familiar with legislation, and in natural intelligence is the peer of any man in the State.

Hon. D. C. O'Flaherty is a member of the law firm of O'Flaherty and Fulton, having offices in Front Royal ard Richmond. His partner is Senator M. J. Fulton, a member of the Senate Committee for Fish and Game. Mr. O'Flaherty was a member of the Senate Committee for Fish and Game. Mr. O'Flaherty was a member of the Senate Committee, and if all its members consent to serve it will probably be confirmed by the Senate.

#### EXHIBIT OF RADIUM.

#### Dr. Canter Shows Sample and Gives Interesting Lecture.

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(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
ASHLAND. VA., Feb. 25. The anacuncement of a public exhibition of the new element in the natural science catalogue, "radium," had the effect of drawing a large and interested aut ence to the chemical laboratories of Rando public of the company o

Horkins University, specimens of "radium."

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the validity of some long accepted theorem in sectimes. The subjet was not treated from a medica at the following to the lack of time, over two hours alone being consulted in g.h. bliten purposes.

Dr. Brand a resident of St. Charles College Michael visited kinnio ph-Macon, College Michael V. stited kinnio ph-Macon, College of the May. Dr. Bluce Las in his fact wides a nine of Randolph-Macon, and was in Ashland especially for the billy see of securing another professor for next session.

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Dr. Jord n was called hurriedly and just manuag d to an e his life, after which his frugal wife took charge of him with n heltory stick and succeeded in marching him around the yard for over an hour. Commissioner of Agriculture Koiner will address the farming of Hanover at the rally next month here. maritana were bester involves, Sunding him arou. d the yard for over an hou. Genmissioner of Agr. cu.ture Koiner will address the farmers of Hanover at the rally next month here.

THE DANVILLE BILL.
Mr. Talbott, of Danville, Here in the Interest of the Measure.
Mr. Frank Talbott, superintendent of the gas, water and light department of the gas, water and light department of the 112.5.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO., Feb. 25.—Aided by strong English markets, wheat for May delivery to-day Jumped 2½c. above yesterday's closing figures, touching \$1.09 a bushel. This price is ½c. above the high record mark, made a few days ago. Heavy realizing sales caused a reaction, the close being at \$1.07½ a net gain for the day of 1c. The July delivery closed 2c. up, at \$8½c.

#### HIS MISSION WHOLLY ECCLESIASTICAL ONE

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, 8-05. 25.—Monsignor are int. apostotic visitor to Mexico, re-Sarafini, apostolic visior to Mexico, re-cently appointed by Pope Plus, will reach this country within a short time

## Hot Springs Results.

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## MAY REMOVE TOBACCO TAX

Revenue Commissioner Says He Sees No Reason Against It.

### DISTRESS IN THE BLACK BELT

Abolition of Tax, It Is Thought Would Benefit the Growers.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—At a hearing to-day before the House Committee on Ways and Means, Internal Revenue Commissioner Yerkes said he saw no reason why relief should not be extended to the tobacco growers of the South by removing the tax of six cents pound on leaf tobacco. This would allow the grower to sell his product to a merchant or any one else, although Mr. Yerkes said that if this tobacco should be sold to a manufacturer, the tax should be charged, his proposition is cortained in a pending bill introduced by Representative Gaines, of Tennessee. F. M. Finch, of Hopkinsville, Ky., representing the Washington county, Tenn., Tobacco Growers' Association, said that there was great distress in the "black tobacco belt" of Kentucky, where 140,002.000 pounds of tobacco was produced arnually. From 80 to 85 per cent. of this tobacco is experted, it was stated, but there seemed to be a combination among the foreign buyers which kept the price very low. If the internal revenue tax was removed it would develop a domestic market for this tobacco, it was believed. allow the grower to sell his product to

#### HONORS ARE DIVIDED.

#### First and Second Choice Divide at New Orleans.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—First and second choices divider the honors of todays racing 8 danace, Arachu and Maritana were beaten favorites, Suminery:

Pontiff Expresses Admiration of Pluck Displayed by People of Baltimore.

of Baltimore.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Feb. 25.—The Pope to-day received in private audience the Most Rev. John M. Farley, archbishop of New York, and conversed with him for a long time in the most cordial manner. Archbishop Farley presented a letter from Cardinal Gibbons, thanking the Pope in the name of the trustees of the Catholic University at Washington, for the letter, issued immed ately after he was created Pope, endorsing the resolution of the trustees to have general collections in the United States for the benefit of the university, the first collections having totaled \$10,000.

The Pope was most pleased to hear of the progress made by the university, expressed the greatest sympathy with the people of Baltimore, and said he was glad the fre had been corfined to the husiness section of the city. The Pontiff also referred with admiration to the report he had received that Baltimore would rebuild the destroyed district without outside help, and exclaimed:

"It is the true American spirit. You do everything on a grand scale even in the case of fires."



## TRAVELING **AUDITOR**

Bill Proposing to Create Such an Officer to Supervise State Officials.

#### IT WILL SOON BE OFFERED

Practically Same Measure Offered by Mr. Glass Some Years Ago in the Senate.

One of the interesting bills, shortly to be offered in the Legislature is the laving for its object the creating of the office of traveling auditor for the State and from what can be learned among the knowing ones of the body, it is likely

to become law.

It will be recalled that such a bill was offered in the assign of 1899-1950 by Sentor Carter Glass, of Lynchburg. The bill went through the Senate, but was

defeated in the House.

The gentleman who proposes

The gentleman who proposes to offer the bill now tloes not care for his name to be used at this time, but he has his plans pretty well in shape, and the measure will be in within a few days.

A group of gentlemen, prominent in legislative circles, were discussing the measure at the Powhatan last night, and they expressed the helief that it would go through the House now, and that a great many members of that body who epposed it four years ago would vote for its adoption, because they believed the time was now ripe for this departure. The bill will provide for a traveling anditor at a good salary and for a number of competent deputies, who will be directly under the supervision of the chief.

### BILL UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

#### Rolling Stock Taxation Plan So Declared by Committee.

Declared by Committee.

The Committee for Courts of Justice of the House last night, after two long sersions, declared the Caton-Churchman rolling stock bill unconstitutional by a vote of \$ to 4.

The bill now goes back to the Roads Committee, and it is believed that this bedy will report it adversely in view of the action of the Committee for Courts. One member of the Committee for Courts was absent, but he sent word that if he were present he would vote with the majority. jority.
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The bill was opposed yesterday hasdons specifies by Messrs. Davis and Lassiler, of Petersburg, and City Attorney Henry P. Pollard, of Richmond. Colonel Catron, of Alexandria, one of the joint patrons, spoke for its passage at some length, and the vote was taken with the result

and the vote was taken with the result given above.

The hill contemplates distributing the tax on the rolling stock of rallway companies among the countles through which the roads run, instead of taxing it all in the cities where the roads are domiciled.

The rallroads are said to favor the bill on account of the low rate of taxation in the countles, and all the countles having any roadbed naturally favor it. The cities are fighting it vigorously.

## CHILD INSURANCE.

Mr. Sale Offers Bill in Senate to Prevent It.

Prevent It.

Senator W. W. Sale, of Norfolk city, offered in the Senate yesterday a bill prohibiting the insurance of persons under the age of tweive years. The measure reads as follows:

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That no insurance company doing business in this State shall issue a policy on the life of any person under the age of twelve years.

"Any person or company violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed gulty of a misdemeaner and shall be fined not less than \$80 nor more than \$500."

# \$500." It is claimed that to allow the insurance of the lives of children breeds crime among the lower classes. The bill was referred to the Committee on General

#### EXTENSION OF SESSION. Volume of Business Now Points

Senator J. C. Byars, of Bristol, is for Will am R. Hearst, of New York, cor President, and has been par ly listramental in organizing a Hearst Club at Bristol with two or three handres, me... bers. He believes that the New York and will develop great strength with the people as the date of the coave..tion draws near.

the Interest of the Measure.

Mr. Prank Talbott, superintendent of the gas, waier and light department of the city government of Danville, is in the city government of Danville and the city governmental. He is here to whoop up a bill offered yester this time is purely governmental. He is here to whoop up a bill offered yester this time is purely governmental. He is here to whoop up a bill offered yester day in the Legislature by Mr. Bruce of Danville-Pittsylvania. The bill is intended to make Danville's interty-ally note good in bank for about \$50,00, which amount the city needs to "tide over."

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#### TO PROTECT CHILDREN.

#### Senator Sale Proposes to Prohibit Insuring Their Lives.

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#### THE SICK SENATORS.

#### Capt. Patteson and Mr. Thomas Both Improved.

Information from the hospital where Senator Camm Patteson lies ill was had yesterday to the effect that he is improved, a end y and is on the way to recovery. He was seriously threatened with pucumonla, but heroic treatment averted the seriously threatened with pucumonla, but heroic treatment averted the seriously threatened with pucumonla, but heroic treatment averted the serious seriou

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der to-day's date:

"The enemy again attacked Port Arthur from 1 to 3 A. M., and was everywhere repulsed. Details follow."

Following the dispatch of Major-General Pflug, Viceroy Alexieff has sent in an identical report to the Czar.

The fact that the Japanese have renewed the attack is interpreted here to mean that they are determined to bottle up or destroy the Russian first at Port Arthur in order to give themselves freedom for land manoeuvres to cut off or invest the city, or as a point to cover a movement elsewhere.

#### No Details Available.

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Then I combined ingredients that would straighten, that would vitalize these nerves. The third of the control of the No Details Available.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—No further details were available to-day of the unsuccessful attempt of the Japanese to bottle up the Russian floet at Port Arthur by sinking big merchantmen at the mouth of the harbor. The brief details contained in the official dispatches indicate that the coup was planned, according to the usual Japanese tactles, to take place during the night, that it was desperately pushed and backed by eight torpedo boats which continued lighting until daylight, but that it failed completely, Great praise is given to the Russian battleship Retvizan, which lay outside the harbor entrance, for her gallant work in beating off the enemy.

The news of the Japanese repulse was received here with great rejoicing and was looked upon as partially wiping out the official bulletins were given out.

the score.

The official bulletins were given out too late for editorial comment, but the news of the initial success of the Russian arms was prominently displayed. Not one of the newspapers here has yet received special dispatches giving news of the Japanese repulse. you have a weakness, write me. If you t do things like you used to do them, tell me about II.

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#### EXPECT THIRD BATTLE.

News From St. Petersburg of Book 1 on Dyspepsia Book 4 for Women ; Book 2 on the Heart Book 5 for Men (sented), Book 2 on the Kidneys Book 6 on Rheumatism Brilliant Repulse of Japanese.

said that he will renew the fight against the Capitol bill in the House. Senator J. N. Hutcheson, of Charlotte, who has been detained at his home for two weeks, has returned to the city, and though not entirely well, is at work again. (By Associated Press.) Against Phiegar Bill.

The Board of Trade of Roanoke has passed strong resolutions condemning the Phiegar bill to repeal the law in relation to the garnishment of the salaries of public officers, and have written urging Delegate Coleman to oppose the bill. The resolutions set forth that S.ate officers as well as other individuals should pay their honest obligations.

(By Associated Press.)

FARIS, Feb. 25.—In a dispatch from St. Petersburg a correspondent of the Ecad de Faris says the last, or reported second, anjanese at alk at. Port Arthur wan requised brillandy. He says the Japanese were again ediged to quit the road stend, it is presumed that the entire squadron joined in the tecond attack, fem. g to average the repulse of the preceding day. The Japanese are thought to have incurred in their losses duit, g this, o.g aght, Admit al Stark has tilegaph of that he expects a third attack. Continuing the correspondent says the General Kuropatkin has started for his home to take lease of his mother before going to the Jast, and he quotes the gen ral as having said:

"Tids war may last eighteen months, but every arrangement has been made that no Japanese af or having lanced, shall return to his country."

## NO NEWS IN JAPAN.

The following bills were reported from the committee on Roads and Internal Navigation None Expected Until Admiral Togo Has Completed His De-To working and activation of Buckling and activation of Buckling and activation of Buckling and the roads of said campy. To amend and re-mact sections 1376, 1377, 1384, 1383 and 1388, as amended, in relation to ferries and bridges.

To empower far pollman Company, its agents, conductors and company, the company of the pollman Company, its agents, conductors and company, being the said of signs at Port Arthur.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—War correspondents and Europeans in Japan comment in amazement upon the success of Japanese officials in preserving secrecy regarding all the operations of war, and decare this conspiracy of silence is not only confined to government and service circles, but that it extends to every section of the community. All classes of people are submitting with marvelous patience to being deprived of news, because they recognize it as imperative to the success of the national cause. It is undoubtedly in pursuance of this policy that no Japanese account of the Port Artun attacks has yet been published, and none is expected

Note that the hope that it will bright over the Board of Supervisors of Norrowent Such a fund would give each county approximately \$2.500.

Coffices for Circuit Judges.

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## WEDNESDAY'S FIGHT.

The Attempt to Block the Harbor Was Not Successful.

(By Associated Press.)

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 25.—At about 1 o'clock yesterday morning the Japanese made a desperate attempt to block the entrance of the loner harbor and dock. With this object four merchant steam 7s, accompanied by torpedo vessels, were sent from two sides towards the entrance of the channel. The movement was perceived by the Retvizan, which was lying in the channel, and which opened fire immediately. At the same time the guns of the forts on the Tiger Peninsula. Golden Hill and Electric Cliff, were turned upon the enemy, and a furious cannoniage ensued, lasting until 5 in the morning. Then the firing slickened and became desultory. The Japanese had failed to effect their purpose. All four of the steamers were sunk. They are lying in the following positions:

One behind Golden Hill, one near the Retvizan, two between the entrance of the channel and the Lao-Thie-Shan Peninsula.

Two of the vessels are still burning.

For Disabled Soldiers.

Hen John W. Churchman, of Augusta, rectally energy a bill in the House for the relief of two volunteer soldiers from Saunton, which he hopes to get through.

The young men became disabled as a result of service in the Richmond street ralway stake and were par to much existing before they recovered.

Che was Goge P. Fance, who contracted typhiod lever while on duty, a different before they recovered.

The char Whilam B. Deverleks, who was soot and jainfully woulded, Book the second of realment Mr. Pleer's bill in the hospital was \$30, and that of Leveleks 498. M. Tuller could have had free treatment here, but not understanding this he got is substantial in Saumton. the channel and the Lao-Thie-Shan Pennisula.

Two of the vessels are still burning.

The cruisers Bayan and Novik pursued the Japanese torpedo floilla. It is said that one of the torpedo boats was sunk.

At about 9 in the morning, February 20th, a Japanese squadron of considerable size approached Port Arthur, and the Bayan and Novik offered to face the Japanese ships, which, however, did not open fire, and afterwards steamed away in the direction of Port Dalny.

The cruiser Pallada has entered the dock here.

#### BADLY CRIPPLED.

Mir. J. H. Biber, former superintendent of s hoos or 8 ann.on, is in the city, looking after some tusiness in connection with the extebook publishing house which he represents.

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temporarily patched up and remain at Port Arthur until circumstances will per-mit of their being sent to Vladivostock. Sends His Congratulations.

ST. PETERBURG, Feb. 25.—The Czar has telegraphed warm congratula-tions to Viceroy Alexien and the entire Russian squadron at Port Arthur on the able monner in which they repulsed the latest attack of the Japanese.

#### PLACE UNTENABLE.

Japanese May Force Russian Ships to Come Out and Fight.

(By Associated Press.) TOKIO, Tuesday, Feb. 23.-Advices are nourly anticipated here of the th'rd naval engagement, which has taken place at Port Arthur. It is thought here that Admiral Togo first attacked with his torpedo boats and then shelled Port Arthur. The opinion expressed by the toreign ninistry here is, however, almost un't d against the ability of the Japanese ships to shell the place without dangerous ex-

posure to the heavy guis of the shore batteries. The Japanese, however, are confident that the place is vulnerable at three points on the sea side, and in proof of their opinions is the explosion of a number of shells in the town on the opinions is the town on the opinions. number of shells in the town on the casion of the recent night fight. The Japanese once possessed Port Arthur, and they have the moost complete information in regard to the distances and range. A bombardment of the place should prove the case of the place should be cased to be cased to be cased to the place should be cased to be cased

in regard, to the distances and ranged A bombardment of the place should prove highly destructive, as it is narrow and cramped. A few shells thrown over the hills into the basin holding the bay and town could not fail to do serious execution. The Japanese shells are charged with a high explosive, and are very effective, and it is believed possible to render the harbor untenable for Russian war ships by hombardment and force them to put to sea and fight in the open.

It is thought here that the withdrawal of Admiral Alexieff from Port Arthur and the removal of houdquarters and records to Harbin is an admission or the weakness of the place, and of its inability is make a sustained defense. It is believed that the Japanese fittend to make a vigorous onslaught on Port Arthur. Its poseession would deprive the Russians of a naval base, and insure the Japanese a base for future operations on the Lino-Tung Peninsula.

## AT POSSIET BAY.

Japanese Have Landed There and Are Moving Upon Hun Chun.

(By Associated Press.)
YIN OW, Feb. 25.—Native reports that

Posset Bay is in Russan Manchuria, about sevenly miles southwest of Vadivost ck. Hun Chun is on the left tank of the Tupnen Ri er and a out fry miles to the west of Posset Bay. Krim is a bg Manchu lan town and lies 20 formerly minister of war and practically miles inlend and to the west of Posset the miles inlend and to the west of Posset bay. Kwang Cheng Tsi is about eighty miles west of Kirin.

Khabarovsk is about four hundred miles Khabarovsk is about four hundred miles board in court dress.

#### RUSSIANS LOSE RACE. RUSSIAN ARMY.

Force Which Will Operate In Korea Will be Most Formidable One.

(By Associated Press.) ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25 .- According to information received by well in-Ing to information received by well informed military men, the Russian army which is intended to operate in Korea will consist of an advance vanguard of two regiments of Siberian sharp-shooters, a vanguard of sixteen regiments of infantry, with ninety-six quick-firing guns, three batteries of mountain guns and a corresponding force of cavalry. The main body will consist of forty regiments, including Cossack cavalry, with three hundred guns.

dred guns.

It is added that no important military operations will be possible before the melting of the ice and that the present operations will be confined to necessary. preparations,

Japanese Before Them in Possessing the Korean Position.

(By Associated Press.)

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TOKIO, Feb. 24.—Three weeks ago it was thought in some quarters that the opening of the war would be speedily followed by a movement of the Russian forces toward the south, Ping Yang being picked as their objective point. The appearance later of Russian scouts in the vicinty of Wiju tended to confirm this opinion and created the impression that there would be an early conflict in that vicinity.

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there would be an early conflict in that vicinity.

If the Russians ever intended to make this movement they have apparently been beaten by the rapidly moving Japanese. The latter are said to have a large enough force to check the Russians, thus insuring the possession of Korea as soon as they are capable of making an aggressive northern movement themselves. The small bodies of mounted Russians who were scouting south of the Yalu River speedily withdrew to the northward. Storms are interfering with navel operations. The Yellow Sea is being swept by gales, heavy snow is falling and the weather is bitterly cold.

The forces of Japan are going to the front splendidly equipped to withstand the cold, but despite their preparations, both sides will suffer much during the next thirty cany.

## Cut Telegraph Wires.

(By Associated Press.)
SEOUL, Feb. 25.—Russian videtics advanced south of Anju have cut the telegraph wires between Anju and Ping Yang.

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demand on this country for food stuffs, prices of Groceries and Provisions are advancing rapidly. We bought largely in anticipation of this demand, and can offer our customers the benefit of our purchase. The following are only a few of the many of our unparalleled offerings :

Dalsy Flour, \$5.25 a barrel,

Large Cans Best Table Tomatoes, 7c. Large Cans Best Table Peaches, 12c, Malta Vita, 11c. a package. Arbuckle's Coffee, 12 1-2c. Three dozen Best Cut Herrings, 25c. Duffy's Old Malt Whiskey, 80c. a quart.
Pure Old N. C. Corn Whiskey, #2 a gallon.

# YIN OW, Feb. 25.—Native reports that the Japanese have landed at Possiet Bay and subsequently undertock operations against Him Chun and towards Kirin, hive received qualified confirmation from 5 gilsh missinary refugees who have nirrived at New Chwang. These people say the Russo-Chinere Bank has removed from Kirin to Kwang. These people say the Russo-Chinere Bank has removed from Kirin to Kwang. These people say the Russo-Chinere Bank has removed from Kirin to Kwang. These people say the Russo-Chinere Bank has removed from kirin to Kwang. These people say the Russo-Chinere Bank has removed from kirin to Kwang. These people say the Russon Balie squadron, comprising eight buttleships, two armotod contentions among the European civilians residing in the line of march. It is reported also that the Russian Russon Balie squadron, comprising eight buttleships, two armotod are transports and thirty torpedo botts withdrawn to Khavarovek.

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Owing to the Russo-Japanese war, and the consequent

Pride of Richmond Flour, \$5.75 a |

Best Salt Pork, 10c. a pound. Good Salt Pork, 7c. a pound. Silver Leaf Lard, in tins, 11c. a pound; bulk, 10c. Fresh Country Butter, 18c. California Hams, 9c.